

Cultural Council
Members in Year 2005

Anne Elliot (Appointed Spring 2002)
Philip C. Heywood (Appointed Spring 1999)
Michael Lapomardo (Appointed Chair, Spring 2003)
M. Sheila McAvey (Appointed Spring 2003)
Deborah Papa (Appointed Spring 2003)
Joyce Koury Tamer (Appointed Spring 2003)

The Shrewsbury Cultural Council (SCC) receives funds from the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC), which allots a specific percentage annually to all local Cultural Councils throughout the state using funding generated by the State Lottery Commission revenues. SCC members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen for three-year terms and may serve up to two terms. The SCC can have as many as 20 members. Anyone interested in serving on the council can contact the Town Manager's Office.

SCC filed all approved grants online complying with the requirements set forth by the MCC. An increase in funding for the Massachusetts Cultural Council resulted in increased funding for cultural councils statewide.

In 2005, the SCC received applications from 27 groups and individuals totaling \$13,152.00 and approved 16 grants. The SCC received funding of \$5,350.00 from the MCC and coupled with other income and unclaimed funding from previous cycles was able to grant a total of \$7,254.00 in the FY06 funding cycle. SCC approves grants for projects in the arts, humanities, concerts, and interpretive sciences.

The deadline for receiving applications each year is October 15. Applications are available in the Town Manager's Office in the fall, or online at www.massculturalcouncil.org. Please be sure to check with the Manager's Office or online for SCC's local guidelines each year.